

## Message Text

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SUBJECT: ESCAP: INTERGOVERNMENTAL WORKING PARTY OF  
EXPERTS TO FINALIZE CONSTITUTION OF ASIA-PACIFIC  
TELECOMMUNITY, 17-23 FEBRUARY 1976

REF: A. BANGKOK 8333

B. STATE 9417

1. DEPT HAS NOTED STATEMENT OF ESCAP/ITU COORDINATOR  
(REF A) THAT HE DOES NOT CONSIDER ASIA-PACIFIC TELECOMMUNITY  
WOULD BE SUBORDINATE TO ESCAP. IN MEANTIME DEPT (REF B)  
HAS CONCLUDED (A) THAT MEMBERSHIP IN COMMUNITY AS PRESENTLY  
CONCEIVED IS NOT OPEN TO US AND (B) THAT WE DO NOT SEE ANY  
SIGNIFICANT ADVANTAGE TO US MEMBERSHIP IN ANY EVENT.

2. IN LIGHT OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS WE REGARD HONG KONG  
MEMBERSHIP IN TELECOMMUNITY AS AN ISSUE FOR COMMUNITY  
MEMBERS TO DECIDE. US REPRESENTATIVE, THEREFORE, SHOULD  
NOT RPT NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY DISCUSSION OF HONG KONG  
EFFORT TO OBTAIN FULL MEMBERSHIP IN TELECOMMUNITY. AS  
APPROPRIATE US REP MAY INDICATE TO UK REP THAT US POSITION  
HAS MOVED FROM PASSIVELY NEGATIVE POSITION ON FULL MEMBER-  
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SHIP FOR HONG KONG TO ONE OF NEUTRALITY ON THE ISSUE. INGERSOLL

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